

What is claim d is:

1. A split flange capable of being fitted around a pipe having a flexible pipe body and a flared portion formed at an end of the pipe, the flared portion being capable of engaging with the split flange, the split flange comprising:

a plurality of arcuate flange members, which form a flange shape being defined by an outer periphery upon assembling;

two connecting portions provided at two end portions of each of the flange members, the two connecting portions projecting from the outer periphery,

wherein neighboring flange members among the arcuate flange members are capable of being rotatably connected each other at mating respective connecting portions among the connecting portions.

2. The split flange according to Claim 1,

wherein one of the two connecting portions of the each flange member is provided with a projection; and

wherein the other connecting portion of the two connecting portions is provided with a connecting hole.

3. The split flange according to Claim 1,

wherein one of the mating respective connecting portions of is provided with a projection; and

wherein the other connecting portion of the mating respective connecting portions is provided with a connecting

hole, the projection being fitted into the connecting hole, whereby the mating respective connecting portions are joined rotatably.

4. The split flange according to Claim 1, wherein the thickness of the connecting portions is set so that a total thickness of the joined connecting portions is substantially equal to a thickness of each of the flange members.

5. The split flange according to Claim 1, wherein each of the flange member is provided at both end portions thereof with respective thin portions such that the neighboring flange members are capable of being connected each other with mating respective thin portions thereof among the thin portions laminated, whereby a thickness of the split flange is constant in a circumferential direction upon assembling.

6. The split flange according to Claim 1, wherein the flange members have recesses for holding the flared portion of a pipe therein such that the recesses form a circumferential recess at an inner circumferential side face upon assembling.

7. The split flange according to Claim 1, wherein the flange members are formed in a substantially same shape.

8. The split flange according to Claim 7, wherein a number of the plurality of flange members is two.

9. A split flange comprising:

a plurality of arcuate flange members, which form a flange shape being defined by an outer periphery upon assembling;

two connecting portions provided at two end portions of each of the flange members, the two connecting portions projecting from the outer periphery,

wherein neighboring flange members among the arcuate flange members are capable of being rotatably connected each other at mating respective connecting portions among the connecting portions.

10. The split flange according to Claim 9,

wherein one of the two connecting portions of the each flange member is provided with a projection; and

wherein the other connecting portion of the two connecting portions is provided with a connecting hole.

11. The split flange according to Claim 9,

wherein one of the mating respective connecting portions of is provided with a projection; and

wherein the other connecting portion of the mating respective connecting portions is provided with a connecting hole, the projection being fitted into the connecting hole, whereby the mating respective connecting portions are joined rotatably.